

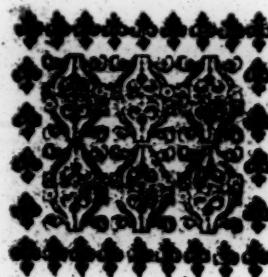
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COMMISSIONS,  
PROCLAMATIONS,  
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ACTS OF PRIVIE  
COUNCELL,

Concerning Jesuits, Priests,  
and Papists.

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# COMMISSIONS

Against Iesuits, Seminarie and  
Massee Priests, and excom-  
municate Papists.



CHARLES by the grace of GOD,  
King of great *Brittaine*, *France*,  
and *Ireland*, Defender of the Faith,  
To Our Lovits,

Heralds,

Pursevants,

Messengers, Our Sheriffs in that part, conjunctly and severally, specially constitute, greeting. Forsameikle as although all Jesuits, Seminarie and Massee Priests, excommunicate persons, and traffiquing Papists, are declared by divers Acts of Parliament and secret Councell, to be most pernicious pests in this Common-weale, and avowed enemies to the true Religion, and all Christian government, and were therefore by divers Proclamations, made and published heretofore, of a long time by-gone, charged to depart forth of this Our Kingdome, under the pain of death; yet, partly upon occasion of

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the comfort and countenance which they find among Our Subjects of all ranks and qualities , popishly affected ; and partly by the neglect and over-fight of these, to whose charge , the execution of the saids Acts , and apprehension and punishment of these persons appertained, these Jesuits, Seminari and Massie Priests, have taken the boldnesse from time to time , to repaire to this our Kingdome, bestirring themselves to corrupt simple and ignorant people, both in Religion, and allegiance. And some of these Jesuits, and Massie Priests, being craf- tie and politick heads, and traffiquers in matters of State, bend their whole endeavours by surmises , forging of lies, and dispersing of bruites and rumours of forraigne projects amongst Our Subjects of better sort, to distract them in opinions, and affections, and to entertaine di- sions in the State, to the disturbance of the peace of the Countrey : for preventing of whose reasonable at- tempts , and securing Our Subjects from the snares and dangers, wherein they will not faile to involve them, to their wrack and undoing : Wee , with advice of the Lords of Our Privie Councell, according to the former Orders, issued forth by Our Warrant , and Acts of Our Privie Councell, made with consent of some Commis- sioners of the State and Kirk for the time, have given and granted, and by the tenour hereof gives and grants full Power and Commission , expresse bidding and charge to the persons particularly under-written, within the bounds following. They are to say , to Sir James Sinclair of Murkill , Sir William Sinclair of Catboll , Sir John Sinclair of Dunbets , and Bruce of Stan- stell , for Our Sheridome of Caithnes. To Our trusty Cousin and Counseller John Earle of Sutherland , and Our trusty and welbeloved Counseller Sir Robert Gor- doun

and Our Lovits Sir John Gordon  
of Embo, George Gordon, brother to the said Earle, Robert  
Murray of Spyniehaill, and Robert Gray of Skibo, for Our  
Sherifdome of Sutherland. And to Our right trusty  
Cousins and Counsellours, Archibald, Marquesse of Ar-  
gyle, and George Earle of Seafort, and to Our Lovits,  
John Mac Cleud of Herreis, and Coline Campbell, Tutor of  
Caddell, for the bounds of the Iles, And to the said Earle  
of Seafort, Hugh Master of Lovat, Sir James Fraser,  
brother to the Lord Lovat,      Ros of Ballingonne,  
Sir John Mac Keinge of Tarbet, and the Provest and Bai-  
liffs of Inverness for the time, within the Province of  
Ross, And to Our trustie Cousin George, Marquesse of  
Huntlie, and to Our trusty and welbeloved Cousins and  
Counsellours, James Earle of Marrey, and James Earle  
of Fiskerton, and Our trustie Cousin George, Lord Gordoun,  
and to Our trustie and welbeloved Counsellours, the  
said Sir Robert Gordoun, and Sir Robert Innes of that ilk,  
and to Our Lovits Alexander Dunbar, Sheriffe of Mur-  
ray,      Brodie of that ilk,      Ros of Kil-  
raack, Alexander Abircromby of Birkinboig, Sir Alexan-  
der Abircromby his sonne,      Ogilvie of Boyne,  
Ogilvie of Kempicarne, and the Provest and Bailiffs of  
Elgine, Banff, Forres, and Narne, for the time being, with-  
in the bounds of Our Sherifdomes of Elgine, Forres,  
Narne, and Banff, And to the said Marquesse of Huntlie,  
William Earle Marshall, Andrew Lord Fraser,  
Master of Forbes, Sir Alexander Irving of Drum, James  
Crichton of Fendraucht, Sir Thomas Burnet of Leyes, Sir  
William Forbes of Cragievar, John Forbes of Leslie, Wil-  
liam Seaton of Meany, Walter Forbes of Tolquhoun, Thomas  
Forbes of Waterton, Sir William Keith younger of Lind-  
quharne, Alexander Fraser of Philtorth, Thomas Fraser of

Streachin, Alexander Forbes Tutor of Pitflico, John Keith  
 of Clakriach, John Udnye of that ilk, Master Robert Mar-  
 tine in Clarkhill, Walter Ogilvie of Ridhyue,  
 Baird of Auchmedden, Thomas Areskine of Pittodrie, John  
 Forbes of Aisoun, John Irving of Beltie, Robert Ferquhar-  
 son of Innercald, Sir William Forbes of Monymusk, Master  
 James Buchan of Achmadoy, John Forbes in the old town  
 of Aberdene, Master Robert Gordoun of Straloch, and the  
 Provost and Bailiffs of Aberdene for the time, within the  
 bounds of the Province of Aberdene, And to the said  
 Earle Marshall, John Earle of Kingorne, David Earle  
 of Southesk, Vicount of Arburthnet, James  
 Lord Carnegie, James Master of Duddop, Sir David Gra-  
 hame of Fintrie, Sir Alexander Areskine of Dun, Sir  
 Grahame of Morphie, Sir Gilbert Ramsay of  
 Balmayne, and the Provost and Bailiffs of Dundie, Forfar,  
 Brechin, and Monrose, within the bounds of Our Sherif-  
 domes of Kincardin, and Forfar, And to Our trustie  
 Cousin and Counsellour, George Earle of Kinnowl, and  
 to Our trustie Cousins, Lord Gask, James  
 Lord Cowper, Andrew Lord Balvard; and to Our Lo-  
 vits, Sir Robert Campbell of Glenurquhie, Sir Mungo Camp-  
 bell of Lawers, Sir Patrick Ogilvie of Inchmartine, Sir  
 Thomas Ruthven of Freeland, Blair of Bal-  
 theyock, and the Provost and Bailiffs of Perth, within the  
 bounds of the Sherifdomes of Perth, Stratherne, and  
 Monteth, And to Our trustie and welbeloved Cousins  
 and Counsellours, John Earle of Mar, and James Earle  
 of Callander, and to Our trustie Cousin John Lord Are-  
 skine, and to Our trustie Cousin and Counsellour, Ale-  
 xander Lord Elphinstoun, and to Our Lovits, Sir William  
 Murrey of Polmais, Cunningham of Bolquhen,  
 Sir Charles Arskyn of Bandeth, and the Provost and  
 Bailiffs

Bailiffs of *Sterline*, for Our Sheridome of *Sterline*,  
 And to Our right trustie Cousins and Counsellours, *William Earle of Morton*, *Charles Earle of Dumfermline*, *John Earle of Lindesay*, *John Earle of Weims*,  
*John Lord Sinclair*, *Robert Lord Burghlie*, Lord  
*Balcarres*, and to Our trustie Counsellours, *Sir Alexander Gibson of Durie*, Clerk Register, and *Sir Thomas Hope of Craighall*, Our Advocate, and to Our trustie and  
 welbelovits, *Sir James Learmonth of Balcolmie*, and *Sir John Leslie of Newton*, and *Sir Sandelance*  
*of Sanctmonance*, and *William Rig of Athernie*, and the  
 Provest and Bailiffs of Our Burrowes in *Fyfe*, for that  
 Sheridome, And to Our trustie Cousins and Counsellours, *John Earle of Lauderdale*, *William Earle of Dalhousie*, and *Archibald Lord Angus*, and to  
 Our trustie Cousin *John Lord Maitlane*, and to Our  
 trustie Cousin and Counsellour, *John Lord Yester*, and to Our  
 trustie Cousin, *John Lord Cranstoun*, and to Our  
 trustie and welbeloved Counsellours, *Sir Patrick Hepburne of Wauchton*, and *Sir George Dundas* of that ilk, And  
 to Our trustie and welbelovits, *Sir Adam Hepburne of Humbie*, one of the Senatours of the Colledge of Justice,  
*Sir John Hamilton of Preston*, and *Sir John Sinclair of Hirdmestoun*, and the Provest and Bailiffs of the Bur-  
 rowes within the Sheridomes of *Edinburgh*, and *Ha-  
 dintoun* for that bounds, And to Our right trustie Cou-  
 sins, *James Earle of Annandaill*, *William Earle of Queens-  
 berrie*, *John Vicount of Kenmure*, *William Lord Crightoun*,  
Lord Dalyell, *Thomas Lord Kirkcud-  
 bright*, *James Lord Johnstoun*, *Sir Robert Greir of Lag*,  
*Charters of Armsfield*, Kirkpatrick  
*of Closburne*, *James Crichton*, son to the Earle of *Dum-  
 freis*, *William Douglas of Kelheid*, *Master George Douglas*  
of

of Penjerie, Colonell William Stuart, James Douglas of  
 Oswald, John Crichton of Craufurton,  
 Fordan of Apibirth, James Johnston of Corseid, the Pro-  
 vost and Baillifs of Dumfries, Wigton, and Kirkcudbright,  
 Alexander Gordon of Erleston, Gordon of Car-  
 dyne, Richard Mure of Cessincarie, John Lenox of Kellie,  
 William Gordon of Inch, Gordon of Craich-  
 land, George Glendevon of Lothian, James Mac Dougall of  
 Gartbland, the Sheriff of Galloway, Mac Dougall  
 of Frenche, of Logan, and Johnstone of  
 Westrane, within the bounds of Wigton, Dumfries, Kirk-  
 cuibright, and Annandale, And to Our trustie Cousins  
 and Counsellours, John Earle of Lowdean, Lord Chan-  
 cellour, Alexander Earle of Eglinton, John Earle of Cas-  
 files, and to Our Lovits, Sir William Cunningham of Cu-  
 printon, Sir Crawfurd of Kelbarne, Sir Lodowick  
 Houston of thatilk, Sir William Mure of Rowallan,  
 Birsbane of Bishopton, Porterfield of Deuchan, and  
 Sir William Cochran of Comdon, within the bounds of Air,  
 Irving, and Renfrew, to passe, search, seek, and take all  
 and sundrie Jesuits, Seminarie and Masse Priests, and ex-  
 communicate, traffiquing, rebellious Papists, where ever  
 they may be apprehended, and whose names shall be gi-  
 ven to them by the Moderatour of the Presbyterie, or  
 any one of the Ministers of the Presbyterie, or whose  
 names shall be sent to them by Our Councell, or of  
 whom they have certain knowledge themselves, and to  
 put, hold, and detaine them in sure fyrmane and captivi-  
 tie, ay and while order and direction be given for their  
 punishment, as accords. With power to Our saids Com-  
 missioners, conjunctly and severally, by their best endea-  
 vours, to restraine the superstitious going in pilgrimages  
 to Chappells, and Wells, which hath been very frequent

in this Our Kingdome, to the offence of God, scandall of the Kirk, and disgrace of Our governement. And for this effect, to cause diligent attendance be given at such parts and places where this idolatrous superstition is used, and to apprehend all persons of whatsoever qualitie, whom they shall deprehend, going in pilgrimages to Chappells and Wells, or whom they shall know themselves to be guiltie of that crime, and to commit and detaine them in ward, till order shall bee given for their punishment, conforme to the Lawes of the Countrey. And if it shall happen the saids Jesuits, Seminarie and Masse Priests, and excommunicate, traffiquing, and rebellious Papists, or any of them, for eschewing of apprehension, to flee to strengths and houses, With power to Our saids Commissioners, conjunctly and severally, to doe therein according as is prescribed by our Lawes in case of rebellion: And generally with power to Our saids Commissioners conjunctly and severally to doe, exerce and use all and sundrie other things, which for apprehension of the saids Jesuits, Seminarie and Masse Priests, and excommunicate, rebellious Papists, and persons superstitiously going to Pilgrimages and Wels, by Law and Consuetude of this Our Realme, may lawfully be done firme and stable, holding, and for to hold, all and whatsoever things shall be lawfully done herein.

**O**UR WILL IS HEREFOR E, and Wee charge you straitly and command, that incontinent these Our Letters seen, you passe to the market Crosses of the Head Burrowes of Our Sherifdomes particularly above-written, and by open Proclamation make publication hereof, and that you command and charge all Our Lieges and Subjects, to reverence, acknowledge and obey, rise, concurre, fortifie and assist Our

faid Commissioners, conjunctly and severally, in all and every thing tending to the execution of this Our Commission: And for this effect to conveene and meet with them at such dayes, times and places as they shall bee adVertised by their missive Letters, or otherwayes; and effaldly and truely to concurre and joyne with them in this Commission, and to doe nothing which may hinder and impede the same, or linger and delay the execution thereof, as they and every one of them will testifie their affection to the true Religion, and punishing the adversaries thereof, and under the paine to bee pursued and punished, as favourers, suppliers, countenancers, and assisters of the saids Jesuites, Seminary and Masse Priests, and excommunicate rebellious Papists: And that you command and charge Our saids Commissioners to accept this Commission upon them, and faithfully and carefully to execute the same, and to bee ready at all times, as they shall be required or advertised of the being of the saids Jesuits, Seminarie and Masse Priests, or excommunicate rebellious Papists, in any part within the bounds allotted to them; to rise and go forward for their pursuit and apprehension, as they will approve themselves worthy of the trust repos'd in them, and will answer on the contrary at their perill. The which to doe, We commit to you conjunctly and severally Our full power, by these Our Letters, delivering the same by you duelie execute and indorsed again to the bearer. Given under Our Signet at *Edinburgh* the 5. day of *July*, and of Our Reigne the 18. year, 1642.

*Per actum secreti Consilii.*



## CHARGES Against Jesuits, and Masse Priests, to depart out of the Countrey.

 CHARLES by the grace of GOD, King of great *Brittaine*, *France*, and *Ireland*, Defender of the Faith, To Our Lovits

Heralds  
Pursevants

Messengers, Our Sheriffes, in that part conjunctly and severally, specially constitute, greeting. For sameikle as the Lords of Our Privie Councell are informed, that divers Children of Noblemen, and others Our subjects of this Our Kingdome, have bin heretofore sent over into Seminarie Colledges, and other Popish houses beyond Sea, and there instructed, perswaded, and strengthened in their Popish errors, where-through they become not onely corrupt and perverted in their Religion, but poysoned and infected in their duty and allegiance to Us, and alienated in their naturall love and affection to their Countrey, which is so much the more dangerous, because the poyson being infused into youths and students, as into new vessells, groweth in time to an inveterate habit of malice, against the present government. As also that divers Jesuits and Seminarie Priests, haunt, frequent, and are reset in the houses of many of the Subjects of this Our Kingdome, whereby there is a dayly growth and increase of Papists. And We fearing the dangerous consequences

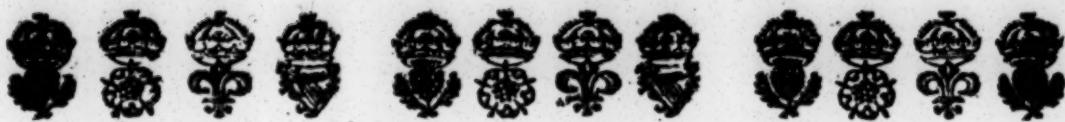
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that hereupon may follow , and being carefull to prevent the same, and therewithall being desirous to notifie Our readinesse and constant resolution to maintaine the true Religion professed , and by Law established , as upon all occasions to reppresse the contrarie : Therefore according to a former Act and Proclamation, emitted by Our Warrant of the date .the first of November, 1625.

**O**UR W I L L I S, and Wee charge you straitly and command , that incontinent these Our Letters seen, you passe to the market crosses of the head Burrowes of this Our Kingdome , and other places needfull, and make publication thereof: And that you command and charge all the saids Children that betwixt and the first day of January next , they return to this their native Countrey, and conform themselves to live in such duty and obedience as becomes good Subjects , and that their Parents , Tutors , and Governoours, and such others , as have been , or are faultie either in sending , permitting , or maintaining them there, take present order to recall them home , and provide that they be returned to this Our Kingdome , betwixt and the day foresaid , and that none be sent over , permitted to goe, or maintained there hereafter , under the paine of the uttermost severitie of Justice to be extended in that behalfe and inflicted upon them. And such like that you command , charge , and inhibite , that no Priest , nor other Person , having taken , or who shall take order by , or under any authority , or power , derived from the Sea of *Rome* , whether they be naturall borne Subjects , or Strangers, do presume to confer any Ecclesiasticall order , or exercise any Ecclesiasticall jurisdiction , or function whatsoever , towards , or upon any

any Our naturall borne Subjects of this Our Kingdome. As likewise, that you command and charge all and sundry Judges, and Justices, to whom it appertaineth, to put all Our Laws and Statutes now standing in force against Jesuits, Seminarie Priests, and others, having taken orders from the Sea of *Rome*, being Our Subjects, to due and full execution, against such of them as from, and after the last day of September next to come, shall be found within this Our Kingdome. Which day We have limited and prefixed for the uttermost terme of their departure. As also that you command, charge, and inhibite all Our Lieges and Subjects, that none of them presume nor take upon hand, after the said day, to refet, supply, harbour, entertaine, releeve, or conceale any of the saids Jesuits, Seminarie Priests, or other Popish Priests, under the paines provided by Our Lawes in that behalf, Which paines shall be severely inflicted upon the offenders, without favour. And last, that you command and charge all Our Subjects, of whatsoever ranke and degree, to conforme themselves to the publike profession of the true Religion now established, like as We prohibite the exercise of any contrarie profession, under the paines contained in Our Lawes and Statutes made hereanent. And We ordain all Synods and Presbyteries to proceed against all such as are knowne to be of a contrarie profession, according to the Lawes of the Kirk and Realme. The which to doe, We commit to you, conjunctly and severally, Our full power, by these Our Letters, delivering the same by you, duely execute, and indorsed again to the bearer. Given under Our Signet at *Edinburgh* the 5 of *July*, and of Our Reigne the 18 year. 1642.

*Per actum secreti Consilii.*



# ACTS OF COUNCELL, Concerning Jesuits, Priests, and excommunicate Papists.

At Edinburgh the fifth day of July 1642.

**F**orsameikle as although the reser, sup-  
lie, and intercommuning with Jesuits,  
Seminarie and Massie Priests ( who by  
divers Acts of Parliament were found  
to be profest and avowed enemies to all  
Christian government ) have been  
straitly discharged by many good Acts of Parliament,  
Convention, and secret Councell, under certain paines  
contained therein: Notwithstanding it is of truth that the  
reser, supply, and comforting of these unhappy People, is  
very frequent, in divers parts of this Kingdome: partly  
upon occasion of by-past connivence, and over-sight,  
given to persons offending in this kinde, and partly be-  
cause particular Commissions have not been granted for  
tryall of the saids reserts, which is the chief and speciall  
cause whereby these Jesuits and Massie Priests are encou-  
raged to repair to this Kingdome, and to take libertie to  
corrupt His Majesties Subjects both in their Religion and  
Allegeance: whereas if these reserts, and starting-holes  
were denied unto them, the Countrey would not be  
troubled with their treasonable projects and insinua-  
tions: Therefore the Lords of secret Councell, ac-  
cording to an Act of Parliament, made in the moneth  
of

of June, 1609. and to former Acts of secret Councell, and to the 13. Act of the Parliament , holden at Edinburgh in September , 1640. ordains and commands all and sundry Synods and Presbyteries within this Kingdome, and with that gives and grants unto them full Power and Commission , to call and conveene before them, all and sundry persons refetters of Jesuits , Seminarie and Mass Priests, & excommunicat Rebells for Poperie, and all hearers and sayers of Mass, at such dayes and times as they shall appoint ; and for this effect , to fence and hold Courts , and to create officers and members of Court needfull , and the person or persons guilty of the crimes above-written , or any of them , to call and accuse , and to deduce and lead probation thereupon , either by oath of party , or by witnesses. And in case any person refetter being lawfully summoned to compeir and answer upon the said refet , will notwithstanding wilfully absent himself , and shun his tryall , and so take the crime upon him , that in that case they hold him as confess : Providing alwayes, that the partie refet be specially condescended upon , either by his own proper name, or by the name and designation which he assumes to himself , and whereby he is known in the Countrey, and that the refet hath been within the space of one year : And the said tryall and probation being taken, that they report the same to the Lords of Privie Councell, or to His Majesties Advocate , to the intent the Delinquents may be called to their answer , and punished accordingly. With power to the saids Synods and Presbyteries, every one within their own bounds , and offices, to call before them all persons who against the tenour of the Acts of Parliament, 1609. and 1640. refuse to communicate; and to take tryall of their refusall, And if thereupon they shall

shall be found non-communicants , that they report the same to the Councell , that they may fine them : Which fines are to be applyed to the uses prescribed, by the said Act of the late Parliament. And recommends to the said Synods and Presbyteries , to have a speciall care to put this Commission to execution in all points.

The Lords of secret Councell , according to a former Act of Councell, made in July 1629. declares, and ordaines , that no excommunicate Rebells who shall be warded for matters of Religion, shall be releaved out of ward , but upon obedience and conformitie to the true Religion, or else upon their voluntarie offer of banishment forth of His Majesties whole Dominions.

Forsameikle as by divers Acts of Parliament , Convention, and secret Councell, made and published heretofore , it is ordained , that no person nor persons whatsoever who professeth not the true Religion presently profest within this Kingdome , shall be preferred to any office whatsoever without exception , or restriction. Therefore the saids Lords, conforme to the saids Acts, declares and ordaines, that no profest Papist, refusing to communicate being required thereto , shall have place in Councell, Session, or any other Judicatory, nor briuke any office within this Kingdome , and ordaines these whom it concerns , to have a speciall care of the precise observation of the saids Acts. And such like the saids Lords prohibits and discharges all persons whatsoever , being under processe for Poperie , to resort or repaire to His Majesties Court without Licence from the saids Lords , under the paine to be called , pursued , and punished as contemners of the directions of His Majesties Councell.

Forsameikle as there have been divers Acts of Parliament

ment and secret Councell made agenent the education of Noblemens Children, which have been neglected, and not received execution these divers yeers by-gone; where-through divers youths, as well the sons of noblemen, as others, have been, and are very much corrupted in their Religion: Therefore the Lords of secret Councell ordaines the saids Acts of Parliament to be put to execution in all points, conforme to the tenour thereof: And they recommend to the severall Presbyteries of the Kingdome, to make a true report to His Majesties Councell of the names of such Noblemen and Barons sons and daughters, whose parents are suspect in Religion, or where they are bred in suspect places.

The Lords of secret Councell ordaines the names of all excommunicate Papists, given in at this time in a Catalogue and roll, to be affixed upon the Session house of *Edinburgh*, To the intent the Lords of Session, and others Judges, and the Commissioners upon objection of parties, and inspection of the Catalogue, may refuse processe to the partie therein contained.

The Lords ordaines the Synods and Presbyteries of this Kingdome, to proceed against all ranks and conditions of persons suspect of Popery, with the censures of the Kirk without exception, under the paines contained in the Acts of Parliament.

The Lords ordaines Letters to be direct against excommunicate Papists, being Rebels, to compeir before the Councell, to hear Letters of treason direct against them for rendring their houses, and entring their persons in ward in *Blacknes*: and that the Summonds against such of them as dwell on this side of *Dee*, shall be upon ten dayes warning: and against these by

north *Dee*, upon fifteen dayes : As also that Letters of intercommuning bee direct against them upon lawfull Hornings to be given in for Warrant thereof.

The Lords of secret Councell ordaines that no Letters be granted against Ministers at the instance of excommunicate and Rebellious Papists , but upon caution for payment of the Ministers expences in case they succumbe in proving their complaint : and that Letters be direct against all such persons who shall abuse Ecclesiasticall Judicatories, or threaten to take Ministers lives for their appearance before the Councell to their answer.

The Lords of secret Councell recommends to the Lyon King of armes , to discharge all Messengers of armes suspect of Poperie , and refusing to subscribe the Covenant , being required thereto by the Presbyterie , to execute their office till they conforme.

The Lords of secret Councell recommends to the Lords of Exchequer , to have a speciall care that the escheits and life-rents of excommunicate Papists be only applyed to His Majesties use , and no wayes to the use of the Rebels, directly nor indirectly , and that the intrometters with the same for times by-gone , be called and pursued with convenient diligence. And for this effect to see the 13. Act of the late Parliament, made hereanent obserued in every point.

Forsameikle as albeit the refet of Jesuits , Seminarie and Massie Priests have been oft prohibite and discharged , yet the execution of the Lawes made hereanent, hath been illuded by the Wives of persons repute and esteemed to be found in Religion , who pretending misknowledge of the actions of their Wives in these cases , think

think to liberate themselves of the danger of the refet, as if they were not to answer for their Wives doings ; and under colour hereof, Jesuits and Mass Priests are hoorded in divers parts of the Kingdome , and occasion hereby offered to corrupt the Children, and servants of the House in their Religion. For emeid whereof, conforme to a former Act of Councell it is hereby declared , that the Husband shall be answerable and comptable to His Majesties Councell and Justice of the Kingdome , that his Wife being a profest Papist , or under processe for Poperie , shall not refet , supolie, nor intercommune with Jesuits , nor Priests , And that he nor she , shall not be served by Papists , and that none shall be admitted to their service , but such as have a Testimoniall from the Minister where they dwell , of the soundnesse of their Religion , under the paine contained in the Acts of Parliament , made against the refetters of Jesuits , Seminarie and Mass Priests , specially in the 13. Act of the last Parliament , 1640. prescribed against Husbands , Wives , Children , and Servants in this behalf. Which the Lords ordaines to be put to execution in all points.

*Extractum de libris Actorum secreti Consilii, S. D. N.  
Regis, per me Archibaldum Primerose, Clericum ejus-  
em, sub meis signo & subscriptione manualibus.*

## *FINNIS.*







